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MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND PRESCRIBED HOURS OF WORK FOR EMPLOYEES

IN SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1960.

(Wages and hours are quoted from Awards, Determinations or Agreements operative at 31st December, 1960).

ADULT MALES

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate		Wage Rate	
	s.	d.	s.	d.
<u>ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.</u>				
<u>Boilermaking -</u>				
Boilermaker	379	0	371	0
Helper	312	6	304	6
Labourer	294	6	286	6
<u>Engineering -</u>				
Blacksmith	382	0	374	0
Brassfinisher	379	0	371	0
Coppersmith	382	0	374	0
Fitter	379	0	371	0
Labourer	294	6	286	6
Patternmaker	408	0	400	0
Shaper	379	0	371	0
Striker	318	0	310	0
Turner	379	0	371	0
<u>Foundry -</u>				
Coremaker - machine	347	0	339	0
Coremaker - jobbing	379	0	371	0
Dresser	344	0	336	0
Furnaceman	340	6	332	6
Moulder - machine	347	0	339	0
Moulder - jobbing	379	0	371	0
<u>Sheet Metal Working -</u>				
Canister Maker	321	6	313	6
Machinist	311	0	303	0
Solderer	321	6	313	6
Sheet Metal Worker, 1st Class	379	0	371	0
Sheet Metal Worker, 2nd Class	347	0	339	0
<u>Vehicle Building -</u>				
Bodymaker, 1st Class	379	0	371	0
Labourer	287	0	279	0
Painter	369	6	361	6
Springfitter	379	0	371	0
Trimmer	369	6	361	6
Wheelwright	379	0	371	0
<u>TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</u>				
<u>Bootmaking -</u>				
Clicker	346	6	346	6
<u>Tailoring (Order) -</u>				
Cutter	470	0	408	0
Presser	355	6	355	6
Tailor	371	0	371	0

## WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,

31ST DECEMBER, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
	s. d.		s. d.	
<u>TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR (Contd)</u>				
<u>Tailoring (Readymade) -</u>				
Cutter	377 6	40	377 6	40
Presser	355 6	"	355 6	"
Tailor	371 0	"	371 0	"
Trimmer	355 6	"	355 6	"
<u>Textile Working (Woollen Mills) -</u>				
Carder	319 0	"	319 0	"
Dyehouseman	324 0	"	324 0	"
Labourer (General)	282 0	"	282 0	"
Scourer (Wool)	336 0	"	336 0	"
Spinner	319 0	"	319 0	"
Loom Tuner	367 6	"	367 6	"
Warper (Plain)	323 0	"	323 0	"
<u>FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO</u>				
<u>Baking (Bread) -</u>				
Board Hand	400 0	"	403 0	"
Ovensman	411 0	"	403 0	"
Single Hand	406 6	"	432 10	"
Bread Carter	367 0	"	368 0	"
<u>Baking (Biscuits and Cakes) -</u>				
Baker	359 0	"	339 0	"
Labourer	319 0	"	300 6	"
Mixer	344 0	"	339 0	"
<u>Brewing -</u>				
Cellarman	352 0	"	339 0	"
Driver (Motor, 3 tons)	369 6	"	333 0	"
Labourer	352 0	"	317 0	"
Malt Hand	352 0	"	330 6	"
Towerman	360 6	"	339 0	"
<u>Confectionery -</u>				
Confectioner (Grade 1)	361 0	"	342 0	"
Storeman	344 0	"	330 6	"
<u>Jam Making -</u>				
General Labourer	308 6	"	308 6	"
Solderer	315 0	"	315 0	"
<u>Meat Packing -</u>				
Capper	357 0	"	372 0	"
Guillotine Hand	336 0	"	388 4	"
Jokerman	350 0	"	366 6	"
Packer	336 0	"	366 6	"
Seamer	357 0	"	372 0	"
<u>Milling (Flour) -</u>				
Miller (Shift)	428 0	"	428 0	"
Packerman	348 6	"	348 6	"
Purifierman	354 6	"	354 6	"
Smuttermen	354 6	"	354 6	"
Storeman (Head)	368 0	"	368 0	"
Topman	354 6	"	354 6	"
<u>Pastrycooking -</u>				
Packer	336 0	"	298 0	"
Pastrycook	380 0	"	363 6	"

## WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE

31ST DECEMBER, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
	s. d.		s. d.	
<b>SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.</b>				
<u>Coopering -</u>				
Cooper	379 0	40	399 0	40
<u>Furniture -</u>				
Cabinet Maker	386 0	"	371 0	"
Chairmaker	386 0	"	371 0	"
French Polisher	386 0	"	371 0	"
Wood Carver	386 0	"	371 0	"
Wood Machinist	386 0	"	371 0	"
<u>Sawmilling and Timber Yards -</u>				
Box and Case Maker	334 0	"	326 0	"
Labourer	301 0	"	293 0	"
<u>Machinist -</u>				
Boult's Carver	376 6	"	368 6	"
Moulding	376 6	"	368 6	"
Planing	376 6	"	368 6	"
Shaping	376 6	"	368 6	"
Orderman	344 6	"	336 6	"
<u>Sawyer -</u>				
Band or Jig	379 0	"	371 0	"
Circular	369 0	"	361 0	"
Tallyman	338 0	"	330 0	"
<b>PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.</b>				
<u>Bookbinding -</u>				
Finisher	379 0	"	371 0	"
Bookbinder	379 0	"	371 0	"
Paper Ruler	379 0	"	371 0	"
<u>Printing (Daily Newspapers) -</u>				
<u>Compositor (Machine) -</u>				
Day Work	493 6*	"	506 6	38
Night Work	528 6*	"	547 6	"
<u>Machinist (First Hand) -</u>				
Day Work	448 6*	"	516 0	40
Night Work	483 6*	"	562 0	38
<u>Publisher -</u>				
Day Work	399 0*	"	435 6	40
Night Work	434 0*	"	481 6	38
<u>Reader -</u>				
Day Work	454 0*	"	482 0	40
Night Work	489 0*	"	523 0	38
<u>Stereotyper -</u>				
Day Work	451 0*	"	510 6	39
Night Work	486 0*	"	556 6	38
<u>Printing (Jobbing Offices) -</u>				
Compositor	408 0	"	400 0	40
Linotype Operator	408 0	"	400 0	"
Machinist	379 0	"	371 0	"
Reader	388 6	"	380 6	"
Stereotyper	379 0	"	371 0	"
<b>OTHER MANUFACTURING</b>				
<u>Brickmaking -</u>				
Burner	356 0	"	340 6	"
Pitman	372 0	"	366 0	"
Drawer	381 0	"	355 0	"
Trucker	366 0	"	332 0	"
Setter	381 0	"	355 0	"

\* Not comparable with wage rates published previously.

## WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,

31ST DECEMBER, 1960 (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
	s. d.		s. d.	
<u>OTHER MANUFACTURING (Cont'd)</u>				
<u>Electrical Supply -</u>				
Electrical Fitter	477 0	40	396 6	40
Instrument Maker	505 0	"	428 6	"
Linesman	452 0	"	371 0	"
Sub-Station Maintenance Fitter	534 0	"	371 0	"
<u>Gas-making and Supply -</u>				
Coke Trimmer	323 0	"	327 6	"
Gasfitter	408 0	"	387 0	"
Labourer	335 0	"	318 9	"
Meter Tester	354 0	"	357 6	"
Service Layer	357 0	"	364 6	"
Service Layer's Labourer	318 6	"	333 0	"
Operator, Retort House	350 6	"	355 6	"
<u>Jewellery -</u>				
Chainmaker	383 6	"	355 0	"
Mounter	403 0	"	390 0	"
Setter	403 0	"	390 0	"
<u>Leather and Canvas Work -</u>				
Canvas Worker	349 6	"	341 6	"
Leather Worker	349 6	"	341 6	"
<u>Tanning and Currying -</u>				
Beamsman	346 6	"	338 6	"
Labourer	308 0	"	300 0	"
Lime Jobber	343 6	"	335 6	"
<u>Machinist -</u>				
Shaving	356 0	"	348 0	"
Splitting	378 6	"	370 6	"
Unhairing	346 6	"	338 6	"
Tableman	347 6	"	339 6	"
<u>BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (a) -</u>				
Bricklayer (Surface)	450 10	"	6	"
Bricklayer (Sewer or Tunnel)	470 10	"	478 4	"
Carpenter	459 2	"	466 8	"
Electrical Mechanic (Installation)	396 0	"	371 0	"
Mason (Stone)	427 0	"	421 8	"
Painter (b)	418 4	"	460 0	"
Paperhanger (b)	418 4	"	460 0	"
Signwriter (b)	433 4	"	460 0	"
Plasterer (Surface)	440 10	"	462 6	"
Plumber (b)	435 4	"	480 0	"
<u>Labourer -</u>				
Bricklayer's	352 6	"	392 6	"
Carpenter's	352 6	"	392 6	"
Concrete Worker	352 6	"	392 6	"
Earth Excavator	352 6	"	392 6	"
Gear Worker	366 8	"	420 10	"
Scaffold Hand	366 8	"	420 10	"

(a) Rates are weekly equivalents of hourly rates. They include allowances for excess fares and travelling time, sick pay, public holidays, following the job, etc.

(b) Allowance for excess fares and travelling time varies with each change of job site.

## WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT MALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE

31ST DECEMBER, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
	s. d.		s. d.	
<u>RAILWAY SERVICES</u>				
Engine Driver (Loco) -				
Steam, Diesel Electric or Electric	455 0	Ø	448 0	Ø
Express, Mail or Passenger	474 0	Ø	467 0	Ø
Shunting Engine	397 0	Ø	373 0	Ø
Fireman -				
Ordinary	349 0	Ø	342 0	Ø
Express, Mail or Passenger	359 0	Ø	352 0	Ø
Shunting Engine	325 0	Ø	318 0	Ø
Guard -				
1st Class	382 0	Ø	394 0	Ø
2nd Class	351 0	Ø	375 0	Ø
Porter	311 6	Ø	323 0	Ø
Shunter -				
Head	458 6	+	448 6	+
Leading	405 6	+	398 6	+
Ordinary	351 0	+	344 0	+
Signalman -				
1st Class	431 0	+	390 0	+
2nd Class	412 0	Ø	368 6	Ø
3rd Class	397 0	Ø	352 0	Ø
<u>ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT</u>				
Tramways -				
Conductor -				
1st Year	315 0	Ø	304 6	40
Thereafter	334 0	Ø	323 0	"
Labourer	312 6	Ø	298 0	"
Track Repairer	329 0	Ø	308 6	"
Tram Driver	350 0	Ø	332 6	"
Pitman	350 0	Ø	337 6	"
Carrying Merchandise -				
Carter -				
1 Horse	336 0	40	305 0	"
2 Horses	346 0	"	321 0	"
Stable Hand	336 6	"	298 0	"
Motor Lorries and Wagons -				
3 tons	366 0	"	333 0	"
Over 3 tons but under 6 tons	381 0	"	345 6	"
<u>SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING</u>				
Wharf Labour -				
Wharf Labourer (per hour)	11 2½		11 2½	
<u>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</u>				
Butchering (Retail) -				
Carter (1 horse)	336 6	"	328 6	"
General Butcher	377 6	"	369 6	"
Shopman	377 6	"	369 6	"
Smallgoodsman	377 6	"	369 6	"
Shop Assistants -				
Boot Salesman	368 0	"	345 3	"
Drapery Salesman	368 0	"	345 3	"
Furniture Salesman	368 0	"	350 3	"
Grocery Salesman	368 0	"	343 9	"
Hardware Salesman	368 0	"	345 3	"
Men's Clothing Salesman	368 0	"	345 3	"

Ø 80 hours per fortnight.

+ 76 hours per fortnight.

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Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
	s. d.		s. d.	
<u>AMUSEMENT, HOTELS, PERSONAL SERVICE, ETC.</u>				
<u>Hotels -</u>				
Barman	334 0	40	326 0	40
Billiard Marker	308 6	"	300 6	"
Cook	430 0	"	422 0	"
Handyman	308 6	"	300 6	"
Kitchenman	308 6	"	300 6	"
Porter	308 6	"	300 6	"
Waiter	308 6	"	300 6	"
<u>Hairdressing -</u>				
Hairdresser	370 0	"	358 0	"
<u>Theatres -</u>				
Electrician	390 0	"	390 0	"
Projectionist	460/6 and 499/6	"	460/6 and 499/6	"
Stage Door Keeper	307 3	"	307 3	"
Usher, Ticket Taker	318 0	"	318 0	"
<u>GENERAL LABOUR</u>				
<u>Factory Engine Driving -</u>				
Engine Driver -				
1st Class	363 6	"	355 6	"
2nd Class	350 0	"	342 0	"
Fireman -				
1st Class	340 6	"	332 6	"
2nd Class	324 6	"	316 6	"
<u>Municipal -</u>				
Labourer	361 0	"	316 0	"
Concrete Floater	386 6	"	358 0	"
<u>Storemen and Packers -</u>				
Packer (General)	344 0	"	330 6	"
Storeman (General)	344 0	"	330 6	"

## WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS, ADULT FEMALES, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,

31ST DECEMBER, 1960

<u>TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</u>				
<u>Bootmaking</u>	234 6	40	234 6	40
<u>Dressmaking (Readymade) - Cutter</u>	259 0	"	259 0	"
<u>Millinery - Cutter</u>	259 0	"	259 0	"
<u>Shirt Making - Cutter</u>	259 0	"	259 0	"
<u>Underclothing - Cutter</u>	259 0	"	259 0	"
<u>Tailoring (Men's) Order -</u>				
Coat Hand (Machinist)	259 0	"	259 0	"
Trousers and Vest Hand	240 6	"	240 6	"
Tailoress	301 0	"	301 0	"
Adult Female	214 0	"	214 0	"
<u>Tailoring (Men's) Readymade -</u>				
Coat Hand (Machinist)	244 0	"	244 0	"
Trousers and Vest Hand	236 6	"	236 6	"
Adult Female	214 0	"	214 0	"
<u>Textile Working (Woollen Mills) -</u>				
Comb Minder	231 6	"	231 6	"
Darner and Mender	238 0	"	238 0	"
Warper, Plain	234 0	"	234 0	"
Weaver, Loom	238 0	"	238 0	"
Gillbox Minder	229 0	"	229 0	"
Other Adult	211 0	"	211 0	"

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31ST DECEMBER, 1960 - (Cont'd)

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Wage Rate	Hours	Wage Rate	Hours
	s. d.		s. d.	
<u>FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO</u>				
Biscuit Making	242 6	40	231 6	40
Confectionery	240 6	"	224 0	"
<u>PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.</u>				
Bookbinding -				
Folder	242 6	"	236 6	"
Sewer	242 6	"	236 6	"
Cardboard Box -				
Boxmaker	240 0	"	234 0	"
Other	228 0	"	222 0	"
Printing -				
Jobbing Office Assistant	242 6	"	236 6	"
<u>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</u>				
Clerks -				
Cashier (Shops)	292 0	"	265 3	"
Clerical Assistant	289 6	"	260 6	"
Shops -				
Boot Saleswoman	292/- to 368/-	"	242/3 and 345/3	"
Drapery Saleswoman	292/- to 368/-	"	242/3 and 345/3	"
Fruit and Confectionery Saleswoman	275 0	"	237 3	"
Newsagent and Bookstall Saleswoman	292 0	"	228 0	"
<u>AMUSEMENT, HOTELS, PERSONAL SERVICE, ETC.</u>				
Hotels -				
Barmaid	263 0	"	326 0	"
Housemaid	234 0	"	228 0	"
Laundress	235 0	"	229 0	"
Waitress - Head	242 6	"	236 6	"
Other	234 0	"	228 0	"
Restaurants -				
Pantry Maid	248 0	"	226 0	"
Waitress	248 0	"	226 0	"
Theatres -				
Female Usher, Ticket Taker, etc.	239/3 and 245/-	"	239/3 and 245/-	"
Ticket Seller	245/- and 250/9	36	245/- and 250/9	36

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